

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

B1 Referring to Fig. 2, belt 11 is elongated having two ends. Buckle 13 is at one end and belt tongue 14 at the other end. The latter, tongue 14 designed as well known in the art, to fit within the former, buckle 13 in order to buckle belt 11 in place. Belt tongue 14 has one or more belt tip holes 15 for engagement with buckle stick 16 of buckle 13. Fig. 2a shows an alternate embodiment of the belt 11. The belt 11 has fasteners 11a spaced an equal distance apart from an adjacent fastener 11a to engage the ends of the belt together. In the preferred embodiment, each of the fasteners 11a is spaced approximately $1\frac{1}{4}$ inches center to center. One or more first portions 17 of a selectively releasable closure element are formed or otherwise securely attached to belt 11. The selectively releasable closure element is a ~~three-way locking~~ directional fastener, preferably a curtain fastener or a locking snap. In this preferred embodiment, the belt 11 receives a first portion 17 of a selectively releasable closure element; such that first portion 17 traverses the outer layer 18 of the belt 11 and engages the inner layer 19 of the belt 11. One or more first portions 17 are arranged along the length of belt 11 such that each first portion 17 is spaced an equal distance from an adjacent first portion 17.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

B2 As shown in Figs. 1, 7, and 9, a said container is attached to belt 11 by interlocking a female end 31 of each second portion 30 from said container to one or more first portions 17 on

32 belt 11. Female end 31 has a diameter such that second portion 30 will stay connected to the male end 32 of first portion 17. When it is desired to separate a said container from said belt 11, the user disengages the interlocking arrangement of the ~~three-way~~ directional fastener so as to release second portion 30 from first portion 17. With at least two attachment points on an item or container, redundancy is provided in the event one of said second portions 30 should become loosened or detached from a first portion 17. It is contemplated that the belt 11 may incorporate the second portions 30 with female ends thereon and that the containers may incorporate the first portions 17 with male ends 32 thereon.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

33 Whether the container has a single second portion 30 or one or more second portions 30 to support it, the second portions are selectively releasably attached to the belt. The selectively releasable attachment may be disengaged by the user by manipulating the ~~three-way~~ directional fastener, or selectively releasable closure element, in a specific predetermined motion that is particular to the ~~three-way~~ directional fastener used.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

34 In summary, the present invention is a belt on a person's torso for supporting and releasably holding one or more items which would include a container to hold an object or objects therein, said items or containers to be supported on said belt by a selectively releasable

closure element, preferably a ~~three-way~~ directional fastener, having first portions with male ends spaced at equal distances from one another and second portions with female ends on said items and containers having the same spaced distance between the second portions so that a second portion can be selectively releasably and securely attached at any available location on the belt.